

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA STAFF HEARING OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 037-08 182 LA VISTA GRANDE MODIFICATION MAY 21, 2008

APPLICATION OF LARRY R. CLARK, 182 LA VISTA GRANDE, APN 015-130-010, E-1 ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE ZONE, GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: RESIDENTIAL, THREE UNITS PER ACRE (MST2008-00037)

The project site is currently developed with a single-family residence and attached two-car garage. The proposed project involves replacement of a failing retaining wall located within 10' of the front lot line and over $3\frac{1}{2}$ in height. The discretionary applications required for this project is a <u>Modification</u> to permit a retaining wall to exceed the maximum allowable height of $3\frac{1}{2}$ when located within the first ten-feet of a front lot line (SBMC §28.87.170)

The Environmental Analyst has determined that the project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Guidelines Section 15301.

WHEREAS, the Staff Hearing Officer has held the required public hearing on the above application, and the Applicant was present.

WHEREAS, no one appeared to speak in favor of the application or in opposition thereto, and the following exhibits were presented for the record:

- 1. Staff Report with Attachments, May 9, 2008.
- 2. Site Plans

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Staff Hearing Officer:

Approved the project, making the findings that the Modification is necessary to secure an appropriate improvement and that the project meets the purpose and intent of the Ordinance because the retaining wall is necessary to support the grade and it does not pose safety or visual issues for the neighborhood. Said approval is subject to the condition that the existing hedge be removed.

This motion was passed and adopted on the 21st day of May, 2008 by the Staff Hearing Officer of the City of Santa Barbara.

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I hereby certify that this Resolution correctly reflects the action taken by the City of Santa Barbara Staff Hearing Officer at its meeting of the above date.

Kathleen Goo, Staff Hearing Officer Secretary

Date

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PLEASE BE ADVISED:

- 1. This action of the Staff Hearing Officer can be appealed to the Planning Commission or the City Council within ten (10) days after the date the action was taken by the Staff Hearing Officer.
- 2. If you have any existing zoning violations on the property, other than those included in the conditions above, they must be corrected within thirty (30) days of this action.
- 3. Subsequent to the outcome of any appeal action your next administrative step should be to apply for Single Family Design Board (SFDB) approval and then a building permit.
- 4. PLEASE NOTE: A copy of this resolution shall be reproduced on the first sheet of the drawings submitted with the application for a building permit. The location, size and design of the construction proposed in the application for the building permit shall not deviate from the location, size and design of construction approved in this modification.
- 5. NOTICE OF APPROVAL TIME LIMITS: The Staff Hearing Officer's action approving the Performance Standard Permit or Modifications shall expire two (2) years from the date of the approval, per SBMC §28.87.360, unless:
 - a. A building permit for the construction authorized by the approval is issued within twenty four months of the approval. (An extension may be granted by the Staff Hearing Officer if the construction authorized by the permit is being diligently pursued to completion.) or;
 - b. The approved use has not been discontinued, abandoned or unused for a period of six months following the earlier of:
 - i. an Issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for the use, or;
 - ii. one (1) year from granting the approval.